

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate of the appointment of Messrs. Ector, Davis, Owings, Ochiltree and Latham, a committee on the part of the House, to act with a like committee on the part of the Senate, in the settlement of the accounts of G. S. Boggess, paymaster.

Mr. Guinn, Chairman of the committee on engrossed bills, reported correctly engrossed the following bills:

A bill requiring the Commissioner of the General Land Office, to issue a land certificate to James McDonald.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of Christopher Coats.

A bill for the relief of the heirs of James M. Rose.

A bill for the relief of Richard Alderson.

A bill for the relief of Robert Baldwin.

A bill to provide for the safe keeping of the Libraries of the Supreme Court at the several branches thereof.

A bill to be entitled an act for the relief of Hamilton Ledbetter.

A Joint resolution proposing an amendment to the constitution.

A bill for the relief of R. G. Dunlap.

A bill for the relief of Isabel Seguin y Riuz.

A bill for the relief of Thomas Bell.

A bill to create the county of Palo Pinto.

A bill to validate a survey and patent upon the head-right certificate of John R. Rodgers.

And a bill appropriating certain monies to the school fund.

A bill for the relief of D. P. Fowler, with the report of the committee on State Affairs, asking to be discharged from a further consideration of the same; read and the report adopted.

Mr. Lott moved to lay the bill on the table—Lost.

The bill was then rejected.

Report of the committee on the Public Debt, on the memorial of Gen. Memucan Hunt, recommending the rejection of the same; read and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Martin, the Senate adjourned 'till to-morrow morning at 8 o'clock.

FRIDAY, July 11. 1856.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present. The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Grimes introduced a "Bill to incorporate the Huntsville Railroad Company," accompanied by a petition of sundry

citizens of Walker county—read 1st and 2d times, and referred to the Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Flanagan introduced a bill for the relief of William Reed—read 1st and 2d times, and referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims No. 2.

Mr. Palmer offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That, with the concurrence of the House, the Senate will act upon the Criminal Codes during the present session, and defer action upon the civil codes until the next regular session.

Mr. Taylor of Cass, offered the following as a substitute:

That, in the opinion of the Senate, it is inexpedient for the present Legislature to take any action upon the civil and criminal code of procedure, now pending before the Legislature.

On motion of Mr. McCulloch, the resolution and substitute were made special order for Thursday next, the 17th inst.

Mr. White presented the petition of Menon Mills—referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims No. 1.

Mr. Pirkey presented the petition of R. H. B. Lansdell—referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims No. 2.

Mr. Maverick presented the memorial of S. Richards, A. Crownover, and others—referred to the Committee on County Boundaries.

Mr. Pirkey introduced a bill for the relief of George Gordon—read 1st and 2d times, and referred to the Committee on Claims and Accounts.

A message was received from the Governor, transmitting the following communication:

EXECUTIVE OFFICE, }
AUSTIN, Texas, 11th July, 1856. }

To the Hon. the President,

and Members of the Senate.

I returned, a few days since, to your body, an "Act for the relief of Jesse Dean," stating that I had been unable to ascertain upon what the claim of Mr. Dean was founded, for which reason I was unable to say anything in regard to its justice, and was therefore unwilling to approve it. Since then, I have learned that the claim was for supplies furnished for the army of the Republic, and that there was proof before the Legislature of its justness; with this information I shall have no hesitation in approving the Act.

To save trouble to the claimant, if there is no objection on your part, I would respectfully ask leave to withdraw the message and the Act. E. M. PEASE.

On motion of Mr. Flanagan, the message and bill were returned to the Governor.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Fannin, a bill for the relief of the Navy, was taken up, and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

On motion of Mr. Armstrong, a bill for the relief of John Todd and Chas. Stanley, was taken from the table and placed among the orders of the day.

Mr. Pedigo presented the petition of James G. Collier—referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims No. 1.

On motion of Mr. Russell, the report of the Committee on Public Lands, on a bill for the relief of Henry Stout, recommending its reference to the Committee on Public Debt, was taken up and adopted.

On motion of Mr. Weatherford, a bill to amend an act to provide for the construction of the Mississippi and Pacific Railroad, was taken up and referred to the Committee on Public Lands.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

On motion of Mr. Taylor of Cass, the resolution instructing the Judiciary Committee to report a bill distributing the ~~School Fund~~ now in the Treasury, to the counties, *pro rata*, according to white population, giving the County Courts the right to loan the same on mortgages upon real estate, the interest alone to be used for purposes of education, was taken from the table.

Mr. Taylor of Fannin, offered the following as a substitute:
Resolved, That it is the policy of this State to loan the School Fund, now in the Treasury, to the different counties in the State, according to the white population thereof, for the purpose of investing the same in the stock of any railroad company they may think proper, the interest to be secured by lien on the private property of all the stockholders belonging to the said railroad company.

On motion of Mr. Wren, the resolution and the substitute offered therefor, were referred to a special committee of five.

Messrs. Wren, Armstrong Hord, Palmer, and Guinn were appointed said committee.

On motion of Mr. Palmer, the resolution and substitute

were made special order for Wednesday, the 16th, and the Select Committee requested to report by that time.

Mr. Superviele introduced a joint resolution, relative to a treaty of extradition with Mexico—read 1st and 2d times, and referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

A message was received from the House, informing the Senate that the House had passed a bill, originating in the Senate, to define the First Judicial District, and to fix the time of holding the District Courts therein, with amendments.

On motion of Mr. Grimes, the Senate adjourned till tomorrow morning at 8 o'clock.

SATURDAY, July 12th, 1856.

The Senate was called to order by the President, pursuant to adjournment—prayer by the Chaplain—roll called—quorum present.

The journal of yesterday was read and adopted.

Mr. Palmer presented the petition of Ellis Benson; referred to the Committee on State Affairs.

Mr. McCulloch presented the petition of H. G. Henderson, for relief of Volunteer Companies in 1840; referred to Committee on Claims and Accounts.

Mr. Flanagan introduced a bill for the relief of James Brown; read 1st and 2nd times, and referred to the Committee on Private Land Claims No. 2. Also,

A bill to create the county of Franklin; read 1st and 2d times, and referred to Committee on Counties and County Boundaries.

Mr. Taylor of Houston, introduced "A bill to incorporate the Sabine and Galveston Bay Railroad and Lumber Company;" read 1st and 2nd times, and referred to Committee on Internal Improvements.

Mr. Taylor of Cass, offered the following resolution:

Resolved, That the Committee on Printing be instructed to contract with the publishers of the city papers for twenty-five numbers of each weekly issue, for each member of the Senate; Provided, that the cost shall not be more than five cents per copy.

Mr. Scott moved to strike out twenty-five, and insert fifteen.

Mr. Grimes moved reference of the resolution to the Committee on Printing—Lost.

Mr. Palmer offered to amend by adding: "And twenty-five copies of the Appendix to the State Gazette"—Lost.